**Starburst Simulation**

**Part A. Questions – 5 questions. Answer each of these questions in the space provided below.**

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| **Question #** | **Your Answer** |
| **1** |  |
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**Part B. Communism**

1. Communism restricts \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to ensure \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Communist countries get people to work by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. In practice, this has often led to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
4. Examples of communist countries today include…..
5. Examples of communist countries in the 1950s include…..

**Part C. How would the US today distribute the candy?**

**Part D. Capitalism or Communism? – Each description below describes either capitalism or communism.** Write “capitalism” next to the descriptions that describe capitalism; write “communism” next to the descriptions that describe communism.

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| **Description** | **Capitalism or Communism?** |
| 1. The government should stick to the principle of laissez-faire and keep its hands out of the economy. |  |
| 1. All members of society should have equal access to resources. No one should be wealthier than anyone else. |  |
| 1. All members of society should have equal opportunities, but since some people are more talented/work harder/luckier than others, some people will be wealthier than others. |  |
| 1. All people should be ensured of basic freedoms – such as free speech, free press, the right to vote, etc. |  |
| 1. Freedom is less important than equality – as long as everyone’s basic needs (food, shelter, clothing, etc.) are being met, the government does not need to give you freedom. |  |
| 1. Anyone can open a business. That person can choose what to sell, how much to sell it for, how many to sell, etc. |  |
| 1. There are no private businesses. The government makes decisions about what/how much to produce. |  |
| 1. People choose a job, earn money, and can use that money to buy what they want. |  |
| 1. The government assigns people a job. The government then provides for people’s basic needs and thus money is not necessary. |  |
| 1. The harder you work, the more money you earn. |  |